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COMMENT FROM THE NEW EDITOR

It should be pointed out that the January-March 1962 number of Rhodora was edited entirely by Professor Reed Rollins, who volunteered to continue his services during the critical period of transition. This seems to have been a wise solution, because much of the editing of this number had been accomplished when the change in editors was made. I much appreciate Professor Rollins' willingness to help out in this way to bridge the gap.

It is particularly reassuring to me to have nearly all of the experienced editorial board continuing to serve, for much of the quality of the journal is attributable to their critical attention and judgment.

Since Rhodora, for the first time, is being edited at some distance from Cambridge, it was felt that the selection of a new associate editor from my colleagues at the University of New Hampshire would do much to facilitate my work. Mr. Radcliffe Pike, who has worked with me for many years in botanical investigations, has consented to serve on the board.

Professor Rollins, in my opinion, during his twelve years as editor has very wisely broadened Rhodora, both as to geographical coverage and the range of subject matter. But because of this very broadening, the Gray's Manual Area and New England should continue to provide abundant material for new insights and interpretations. It is hoped that botanists interested in the more local area will have a resurgence of activity in the years ahead. — A. R. Hodgdon